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STATUS OF THE EUROPEAN CORN BORER IN 1944

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Distribution

Scouting to determine recent dispersion of the European corn borer was conducted during the 1944 season by a number of State entomological agencies and the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. The corn borer was found in 1944 in Kansas, Nebraska, and Tennessee for the first time, and in a considerable number of counties outside the border of previously infested territory in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kentucky, Virginia, and North Carolina. This new dispersion of the insect was most pronounced over the western third of Iowa and in southeastern Minnesota. Map 1 shows the known distribution of the corn borer in 1943 and the added area found infested in 1944, and the following list gives the counties in different States from which the pest was first reported in 1944.

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Iowa (31 counties)

Adair, Adams, Audubon, Boone, Buena Vista, Calhoun, Carroll, Cass, Clay, Crawford, Dallas, Decatur, Emmet, Greene, Guthrie, Harrison, Humboldt, Kossuth, Madison, Monona, Montgomery, Page, Palo Alto, Pocahontas, Pottawattamie, Ringgold, Sac, Shelby, Taylor, Union, Webster.

Kansas (1 county)

Wyandotte.

Kentucky (5 counties)

Butler, Lincoln, Logan, McLean, Muhlenberg.

Minnesota (16 counties)

Dakota, Dodge, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Le Sueur, Martin, Mower, Olmsted, Ramsey, Rice, Steele, Waseca, Wabasha, Winona.

Missouri (7 counties)

Andrew, Carroll, De Kalb, Franklin, Mississippi, Nodaway, Scott.

Nebraska (1 county)

Lancaster.

North Carolina (3 counties)

Bertie, Carteret, Pamlico.

Tennessee (3 counties)

Montgomery, Robertson, Sumner.

Virginia (5 counties)

Caroline, Chesterfield, Orange, Page, Prince George.

Wisconsin (6 counties)

Burnett, Douglas, Price, St. Croix, Vilas, Washburn.

### Fall Abundance

The Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine and Various interested States cooperating, as in previous years, conducted a survey in 1944 to determine the relative fall abundance of the European corn borer in 400 counties within 22 States infested by the insect in northeastern United States. In general, the survey procedures were the same as those used by the Bureau and State agencies during similar surveys in recent years. By this method 10 cornfields at random were sampled within each county, the percentage of plants infested being obtained by examining 25 consecutive corn plants taken at a given distance within a field from near the middle of its most accessible edge, and the number of borers per infested plant being determined by dissecting the first two plants found infested. Some of the State agencies sampled more fields per county or examined more stalks per field, or both. The product of the percentage of plants infested in a field and the average number of borers per infested plant provided a figure designated as the average number of borers per 100 plants. The borer population data for the individual fields were then used in the calculation of the county averages.

Table 1 presents a summary of the abundance data obtained for all counties and States in 1944 and gives comparable data for 1943. Table 2 shows the average number of borers per 100 plants for each county in the different States surveyed in 1944 and also includes all possible comparisons with similar data for 1943. It should be noted that a zero recorded for any county in table 2 indicates a borer population so low that no infested plants occurred within the specified count and does not necessarily mean the complete absence of the borer. The relative abundance of the borer in corn in portions of the infested area surveyed in 1944 is shown on map 2.

The average level of European corn borer abundance for 313 comparable counties surveyed in the United States decreased from 149.3 borers per 100 plants in the fall of 1943 to 81.4 in the fall of 1944 and was 72.7 borers per 100 plants for all 400 counties surveyed in 1944. However, the decrease was not common to all parts of the infested territory and the area surveyed in 1944 may be divided according to the general trends of corn borer abundance. In the eastern part of the Corn Belt (Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan) and in most other States east to the Atlantic coast, populations of the insect were generally lower in 1944 than in 1943, whereas farther west in the Corn Belt, especially in Illinois and Iowa, the borer was much more abundant in 1944 than in 1943.

In Indiana, where the average number of borers per 100 plants was 65.9 in 1944 as compared with 170.8 in 1943, almost two-thirds of the 78 counties surveyed showed significant reductions in populations of the corn borer from 1943 to 1944. In the other one-third of the counties, little or no change in borer abundance occurred in the same two years. Significant increases from 1943 to 1944 were found, however, in 4 counties in the southeastern corner of the State. Newton and Switzerland Counties, with 287 and 210.2 borers per 100 plants, respectively, were the most heavily infested counties in Indiana in 1944. Nineteen other counties, located mostly in the northwestern corner and in the eastern part of the State, had populations averaging between 101 and 200 borers per 100 plants.

About half of the 33 counties surveyed in the western part of Ohio maintained practically the same borer populations in 1944 as in 1943 while the remainder of this group of counties in the State showed a decrease over the same period. The average for western Ohio changed from 119.7 borers per 100 plants in 1943 to 55.8 in 1944, and populations as high as 101 to 200 borers per 100 plants occurred in only 4 counties in the State.

The status of the borer in Michigan was essentially the same in 1944 as in 1943, the 14 counties surveyed averaging 66 borers per 100 plants in 1943 and 64.7 in 1944. Gratiot County, Mich., with 119.6 borers per 100 plants, represented the highest infestation in the State in 1944.

The survey in 1944 of 17 representative counties in the infested part of Kentucky showed that the corn borer was generally present in small but measurable numbers, reaching a maximum of 51.4 borers per 100 plants in Fayette County.

In Pennsylvania and New York, numbers of the borers were definitely lower in 1944 than in 1943. In 28 Pennsylvania counties the average of 251.7 borers per 100 plants in 1943 was reduced to 73.3 in 1944, and in 20 counties in New York the average of 210.5 borers per 100 plants in 1943 compared with 126.3 in 1944. The extremely heavy concentrations of the pest found in southeastern Pennsylvania in 1943 moderated considerably in 1944 although the maximum abundance of the borer in the State still occurred in that section. Delaware County, with 397.6 borers per 100 plants, was the most heavily infested county in Pennsylvania in 1944. However, in 3 other counties in the southeastern corner of the State the mean numbers of the borers per 100 plants were between 201 and 300, and in 5 neighboring counties, they were between 101 and 200.

Despite the general borer reduction from 1943 to 1944 in New York, two of the highest county populations in the country were found in the counties of Nassau (western Long Island) and Columbia (Hudson River Valley) of this State, with 597.4 and 515 borers per 100 plants, respectively. Also, numbers of the insect ranged from 101 to 200 per 100 plants in 3 other counties of the Hudson River Valley and in Erie County in the western part of the State, and from 201 to 300 in 2 additional Valley counties. In the two Hudson Valley Counties of Columbia and Rensselaer, the 1944 populations of the corn borer represented significant increases from 1943.

A trend toward increased abundance of the corn borer from 1943 to 1944 was apparent across northern New England where, however, populations still remained relatively light. The increase was most pronounced in New Hampshire where the average of 11.4 borers per 100 plants in 1943 compared with 27.4 in 1944. Windham County in Vermont, with 148.8 borers per 100 plants, was the most heavily infested county in the States of Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine, in 1944. In southern New England and more than half way down through the State of New Jersey, borer numbers were lower in 1944 than in 1943 and, with a few exceptions, the same situation prevailed farther southward in Delaware and in the eastern sections of Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina. Three counties in southern New Jersey and Princess Anne County in Virginia had significantly higher borer populations in 1944 than in 1943. A number of individual counties in the Atlantic Coast States showed high populations of the corn borer in 1944. These counties and the average number of borers per 100 plants in each were as follows: Northampton, Va., -743.4; Princess Anne, Va., -601.8; Accomac, Va., -505.8; Currituck, N. C., -502.2; Burlington, N. J., -431.8; Pasquotank, N. C., -389.4; Plymouth, Mass., -326.7; and Camden, N. J., -325.4.

In Illinois, the average number of borers per 100 plants in 28 comparable counties increased from 80 in 1943 to 117.4 in 1944. The 1944 average for these 28 counties was identical with that for the total of 34 counties surveyed. County increases were most frequent in the northeastern quarter of the State and apparently borer populations were much higher in 1944 than in 1943 throughout the northern tier of Illinois counties, including Boone, Jo Daviess, and Winnebago, with 358.2, 289.8, and 252.2 borers per 100 plants, respectively. Boone County had the maximum infestation for any surveyed county in Illinois in 1944. Several counties in the western part of the State, along the Mississippi River, also had significantly greater numbers of borers in 1944 than in 1943 and populations in most of the surveyed counties showed a trend toward increase. In 7 of the 34 counties surveyed in 1944, the average number of borers per 100 plants ranged between 201 and 300, and in 10 of them the average varied from 101 to 200 borers per 100 plants.

In 20 comparable counties of eastern Iowa, the mean of 19.9 borers per 100 plants in 1943 increased to 55.3 in 1944. This increase apparently was characteristic of the trend in 1944 over most of the eastern half of the State and probably in more western counties where the presence of the insect in previously uninfested sections was easily detected in 1944. The corn borer was most abundant in Iowa in 1944 in Muscatine, Scott, Jones, and Jackson Counties, in which the number of borers per 100 plants averaged, respectively, 142.8, 111.6, 109.4, and 100. An average of 37.3 borers per 100 plants was found in all 40 counties surveyed in eastern Iowa in 1944.

Although the mean of the data from 9 comparable counties in eastern Wisconsin showed no significant change in borer abundance from 61.6 borers per 100 plants in 1943 to 59.8 in 1944, additional information gained during the 1944 survey and general knowledge of conditions in 1943 indicated a definite trend of borer increase over much of the southern half of the State first surveyed in 1944. The highest population in Wisconsin in 1944 occurred rather far north in Door County, with 140.6 borers per 100 plants, and each of 5 other counties in the State averaged from 101 to 200 borers per 100 plants. A total of 32 counties was surveyed in Wisconsin in 1944 and these averaged 54.1 borers per 100 plants.

For the first time measurable populations of the corn borer were found in Minnesota in 1944. These were in Houston and Fillmore Counties in the extreme southeastern corner of the State, which averaged 20 and 8.8 borers per 100 plants, respectively.

No appreciable change from 1943 to 1944 in the relatively low borer populations (less than 3 borers per 100 plants) in 8 counties of northeastern Missouri was indicated by the fall surveys. It is likely, however, that the new borer infestations found in 1944 in the better corn-growing sections of northwestern Missouri reflected an increasing abundance of the insect in the State as a whole.

A survey of corn borer abundance was not conducted in 1944 in the newly infested States of Kansas, Nebraska and Tennessee. The single-county infestations reported from each of the first two of these States represented isolated finds of the insect rather than the results of intensive planned scouting over any sizable portion of either State. In Robertson and Sumner Counties of Tennessee the borer was readily found in most cornfields selected as most likely to show infestation while in Montgomery County in that State, the borer was found in only one of the first 15 fields examined.

In general, moisture conditions for corn production in 1944 were more favorable in the western part of the Corn Belt than in the eastern portion or in the States east to the Atlantic coast, and to a considerable extent the area of increase in corn abundance in 1944 from 1943 coincided with that having the better seasonal environment for corn growth in 1944. Decreases in corn borer abundance from 1943 to 1944 were broadly related to drought or near-drought conditions occurring at critical periods in the seasonal development of the corn borer or its chief host plant corn, or both. According to the Weather Bureau, precipitation for the 3 summer months June-August, 1944, was below normal in most of the States east of the Mississippi River, the totals for the summer being less than 75 percent of normal in Indiana, Tennessee, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. Conditions of this type were probably responsible for holding the corn borer in check over a large area in 1944.

#### Summer Abundance in Early Sweet Corn

Limited surveys were conducted in the summer of 1944 to determine the relative abundance of the corn borer in early sweet corn grown for market purposes in several localities. As a rule, the fields surveyed were those most heavily infested within a given locality. A comparison of the 1944 data with similar figures for 1943 is given in table 3. In general the borer was less abundant in early sweet corn in 1944 than in 1943 altho considerable economic damage occurred to the crop in both years. In most places the injury caused by the borer in 1944 was supplemented by severe drought effects on the plants and consequent reduction of the yield and quality of the corn. The surveys showed that borer populations in sweet corn were appreciably lower in 1944 than in 1943 in the localities of New Haven, Conn., the Beverly District of New Jersey, St. Anne, Ill., and Toledo, Ohio, and the insect was apparently less numerous near Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1944. Little early sweet corn was planted in 1944 in the St. Anne, Ill., section and in the vicinity of Indianapolis, Ind. The infestation in Maine and east of St. Louis in Illinois remained light. In western New York State borer populations in sweet corn were a little higher than in 1943, and in Muscatine County, Iowa, in 1944 the borer was becoming a factor in the raising of sweet corn.

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Table 1.—Summary by States of European corn borer abundance in corn, fall of 1944, and comparisons with data for 1943

State	1944						Significant change from 1943 to 1944	
	Average		Comparable	Average borers from 1943				
	borers	counties	per 100 plants	1943	1944	1943		
	per 100: 1944	plants	with 1943	1943	1944	1943		
Connecticut . . . . .	5	178.7	3	811.5	178.7	Decrease		
Delaware . . . . .	3	76.5	3	244.7	76.5	"		
Illinois . . . . .	34	119.2	28	80.0	119.6	Increase		
Indiana . . . . .	78	65.9	78	170.8	65.9	Decrease		
Iowa . . . . .	40	37.3	20	19.9	55.3	Increase		
Kentucky . . . . .	17	12.1	0	-	-	-		
Maine . . . . .	14	15.1	14	12.0	15.1	None		
Maryland . . . . .	7	53.1	7	226.1	53.1	Decrease		
Massachusetts . . . . .	4	172.1	1	110.2	112.4	None		
Michigan . . . . .	14	64.7	14	66.0	64.7	"		
Minnesota . . . . .	2	14.4	0	-	-	-		
Missouri . . . . .	8	2.7	8	2.2	2.7	None		
New Hampshire . . . . .	9	27.4	9	11.4	27.4	Increase		
New Jersey . . . . .	19	143.0	19	246.7	143.0	Decrease		
New York . . . . .	20	126.3	20	210.5	126.3	"		
North Carolina . . . . .	3	392.5	3	259.0	392.5	None		
Ohio . . . . .	33	55.8	33	119.7	55.8	Decrease		
Pennsylvania . . . . .	28	73.3	28	251.7	73.3	"		
Rhode Island . . . . .	2	102.3	2	398.3	102.3	"		
Vermont . . . . .	10	38.3	10	24.9	38.3	None		
Virginia . . . . .	18	116.5	4	549.7	466.4	"		
Wisconsin . . . . .	32	54.1	9	61.6	59.8	"		
Total . . . . .	400	-	313	-	-	Decrease		
Areal Av. . . . .	-	72.7	-	149.3	81.4			

Table 2.--European corn borer abundance in corn, fall of 1944, and comparisons with data for 1943

State and county	Average borers		State and county	Average borers	
	per 100 plants 1943	1944		per 100 plants 1943	1944
	Number	Number		Number	Number
<u>Connecticut:</u>					
Fairfield .....	-	177.4	Moultrie.....	-	46.6
Hartford .....	970.8	357.8	Ogle .....	215.8	239.8
Litchfield .....	-	99.8	Pecoria .....	90.0	72.4
Middlesex .....	484.4	110.2	Sangamon .....	13.6	19.2
New Haven .....	979.2	68.0	Vermilion .....	97.6	96.4
Average: .....	..	..	Whiteside .....	216.4	200.6
3 counties .....	811.5	178.7	Will .....	89.2	113.4
5 counties .....	-	162.6	Winnibago .....	-	252.2
			Woodford .....	151.8	121.6
<u>Delaware:</u>					
Kent .....	248.0	35.7	Average:	..	..
New Castle .....	360.3	110.4	28 counties .....	80.0	117.4
Sussex .....	125.9	83.3	34 counties .....	-	117.4
Average: .....	..	..	<u>Indiana:</u>		
3 counties .....	244.7	76.5	Adams .....	116.4	54.2
			Allen .....	128.2	45.6
<u>Illinois:</u>					
Adams .....	0.8	16.8	Bartholomew .....	31.0	105.4
Boone .....	104.8	358.2	Benton .....	371.8	149.2
Brown-Cass .....	-	25.0	Blackford .....	302.4	166.2
Bureau .....	169.4	180.2	Boone .....	130.4	23.0
Champaign .....	31.6	125.2	Brown .....	27.6	46.0
Christian .....	15.6	17.2	Carroll .....	229.8	32.4
Clark .....	62.2	20.4	Cass .....	197.0	36.8
DeKalb .....	67.8	132.8	Clay .....	19.8	23.0
DuPage .....	64.8	182.0	Clinton .....	143.6	26.8
Hancock .....	2.4	4.8	Daviess .....	25.4	8.6
Henderson .....	28.0	32.4	Dearborn .....	47.2	49.2
Iroquois .....	215.8	240.8	Decatur .....	48.2	28.8
Jasper .....	-	5.2	De Kalb .....	184.2	67.2
Jo Daviess .....	-	289.8	Delaware .....	151.6	91.6
Kankakee .....	88.6	218.2	Elkhart .....	312.6	74.0
Knox .....	-	84.6	Fayette .....	175.4	111.0
Lake .....	25.4	139.6	Fountain .....	144.0	65.2
LaSalle .....	132.2	163.4	Franklin .....	52.4	157.8
Lawrence .....	12.4	19.6	Fulton .....	541.4	48.0
Livingston .....	79.0	230.0	Gibson .....	8.2	2.0
Logan .....	59.0	42.4	Grant .....	216.2	24.0
Macon .....	35.8	37.0	Greene .....	49.6	9.2
McDonough .....	20.4	9.2	Hamilton .....	125.8	69.2
McLean .....	87.8	105.8	Hancock .....	144.8	29.8
Mercer .....	61.2	149.0	Hendricks .....	79.4	11.8
			Henry .....	191.4	103.6
			Howard .....	311.6	36.2

Table 2.--European corn borer abundance in corn, fall of 1944, and comparisons with data for 1943 - Continued

State and county	Average borers per 100 plants		State and county	Average borers per 100 plants	
	1943	1944		1943	1944
	Number	Number		Number	Number
<u>Indiana (Cont'd)</u>			<u>Indiana (Cont'd)</u>		
Huntington .....	267.4	119.0	Warrick .....	11.4	10.8
Jasper .....	526.0	155.6	Warren .....	309.0	73.8
Jay .....	215.0	51.4	Wayne .....	176.2	83.6
Jefferson .....	28.4	16.6	Wells .....	320.5	104.0
Johnson .....	215.6	36.2	White .....	438.0	167.6
Knox .....	17.2	26.8	Whitley .....	253.6	101.8
Kosciusko .....	332.0	49.0			
Lagrange .....	173.8	112.6	Average:	...	...
Lake .....	293.8	116.0	78 counties:	170.8	65.9
LaPorte .....	155.2	67.6			
Madison .....	179.4	68.2	<u>Iowa:</u>	...	...
Marion .....	183.6	32.2	Allamakee .....	-	25.0
Marshall .....	215.4	134.4	Benton .....	-	25.4
Miami .....	337.8	19.0	Black Hawk ....	-	23.8
Montgomery .....	102.4	40.8	Bremer .....	-	14.4
Morgan .....	112.8	21.8	Buchanan .....	-	15.4
Newton .....	684.2	287.0	Butler .....	-	14.2
Noble .....	255.8	152.4	Cedar .....	12.4	88.8
Ohio .....	47.0	158.8	Chickasaw .....	-	11.4
Owen .....	16.6	8.6	Clayton .....	1.2	22.2
Parke .....	124.0	69.8	Clinton .....	114.0	83.8
Pike .....	8.4	0.8	Davis .....	-	5.2
Porter .....	273.6	56.2	Delaware .....	3.6	20.2
Posey .....	2.8	2.2	Des Moines .....	11.6	19.8
Pulaski .....	216.8	72.2	Dubuque .....	9.0	65.0
Putnam .....	62.8	30.4	Fayette .....	-	23.8
Randolph .....	153.2	44.6	Floyd .....	-	3.6
Ripley .....	15.8	20.6	Grundy .....	-	23.8
Rush .....	129.4	54.6	Henry .....	9.8	23.8
St. Joseph .....	271.6	102.2	Howard .....	-	13.6
Shelby .....	127.2	25.4	Iowa .....	-	38.0
Spencer .....	4.0	1.2	Jackson .....	53.8	100.0
Starke .....	273.2	115.3	Jasper .....	-	16.6
Steuben .....	202.6	40.8	Jefferson .....	2.4	10.8
Sullivan .....	47.2	16.8	Johnson .....	9.2	95.0
Switzerland .....	24.6	210.2	Jones .....	13.6	109.4
Tippecanoe .....	212.8	77.8	Keokuk .....	3.2	27.2
Tipton .....	382.6	12.4	Lee .....	5.2	11.8
Union .....	74.2	102.0	Linn .....	7.2	49.8
Vanderburgh .....	1.2	1.6	Louisa .....	5.2	90.6
Vermillion .....	140.6	60.8	Mahaska .....	-	19.2
Vigo .....	46.0	27.8	Marshall .....	-	18.0
Wabash .....	152.6	79.4	Muscatine .....	23.6	142.8

Table 2.—European corn borer abundance in corn, fall of 1944, and comparisons with data for 1943 - Continued

State and county	Average borers		State and county	Average borers	
	per 100 plants 1943	1944		per 100 plants 1943	1944
	Number	Number		Number	Number
Iowa (Cont'd)			Maine (Cont'd)		
Poweshiek .....	-	23.0	Oxford .....	4.6	22.0
Scott .....	98.2	111.6	Penobscot .....	15.2	94.9
Story .....	-	1.2	Piscataquis .....	13.0	8.0
Tama .....	-	29.4	Sagadahoc .....	16.5	5.9
Van Buren .....	0.4	4.2	Somerset .....	25.7	24.9
Wapello .....	3.6	8.8	Waldo .....	8.7	2.8
Washington .....	10.6	19.6	York .....	8.1	16.7
Winneshiek .....	-	42.2			
Average:			Average:		
20 counties .....	19.9	55.3	14 counties .....	12.0	15.1
40 counties .....	-	37.3	Maryland:		
Kentucky:			Carolina .....	79.4	5.8
Anderson .....	-	3.2	Dorchester .....	116.0	99.8
Boone .....	-	15.8	Kent .....	212.4	50.6
Boyle .....	-	25.6	Queen Anne .....	75.6	30.7
Daviess .....	-	3.8	Talbot .....	185.6	42.0
Fayette .....	-	51.4	Wicomico .....	175.4	94.6
Fleming .....	-	9.2	Worcester .....	738.4	48.2
Grayson .....	-	0			
Greenup .....	-	10.2	Average:		
Henderson .....	-	0.4	7 counties .....	226.1	53.1
Jefferson .....	-	23.0	Massachusetts:		
Madison .....	-	7.8	Bristol .....	-	84.0
Mason .....	-	20.8	Franklin .....	110.2	112.4
Nelson .....	-	0	Norfolk .....	-	165.4
Simpson .....	-	14.6	Plymouth .....	-	326.7
Trimble .....	-	15.4			
Union .....	-	0	Average:		
Warren .....	-	4.8	1 county .....	110.2	112.4
Average:			4 counties .....	-	172.1
17 counties .....	-	12.1	Michigan:		
Maine:			Allegan .....	84.8	57.4
Androscoggin .....	15.7	8.1	Berrien .....	90.8	74.2
Cumberland .....	7.0	13.0	Gratiot .....	123.0	119.6
Franklin .....	4.5	11.0	Huron .....	30.8	63.8
Hancock .....	16.9	2.2	Lenawee .....	154.0	90.0
Kennebec .....	5.7	39.5	Macomb .....	79.2	59.4
Knox .....	21.8	13.3	Monroe .....	97.2	65.6
Lincoln .....	4.9	33.8	Ottawa .....	49.2	70.6
			Saginaw .....	18.0	65.6

Table 2.—European corn borer abundance in corn, fall of 1944, and comparisons with data for 1943 - Continued

State and county	Average borers		State and county	Average borers		
	per 100 plants			per 100 plants		
	1943	1944		1943	1944	
	Number	Number		Number	Number	
<u>Michigan (Cont'd)</u>			<u>New Jersey:</u>			
St. Clair .....	21.2	6.8	Atlantic .....	17.8	92.4	
Sanilac .....	12.8	40.2	Bergen .....	471.2	133.7	
Tuscola .....	99.8	93.2	Burlington .....	395.8	431.8	
Van Buren .....	17.6	37.2	Camden .....	212.5	325.4	
Wayne .....	45.8	61.6	Cape May .....	35.0	83.4	
			Cumberland .....	187.1	106.2	
Average:			Essex-Union .....	359.0	92.0	
14 counties ....	66.0	64.7	Gloucester .....	124.8	247.6	
			Hunterdon .....	205.6	30.2	
<u>Minnesota:</u>			Mercer .....	762.4	290.0	
Fillmore .....	-	8.8	Middlesex .....	459.4	122.2	
Houston .....	-	20.0	Monmouth .....	391.6	112.4	
			Morris .....	270.0	48.2	
Average:			Ocean .....	136.3	267.0	
2 counties ....	-	14.4	Passaic .....	163.2	69.0	
			Salem .....	121.4	137.4	
<u>Missouri:</u>			Somerset .....	178.6	60.2	
Clark .....	2.8	5.2	Sussex .....	81.6	24.6	
Lewis .....	8.8	5.6	Warren .....	114.4	43.4	
Lincoln .....	0	4.4				
Marion .....	3.2	4.6	Average:			
Pike .....	0	0.6	19 counties .....	246.7	143.0	
Ralls .....	1.2	0.4				
St. Charles .....	0	0	<u>New York:</u>			
St. Louis .....	1.2	0.4	Albany .....	382.0	281.4	
			Columbia .....	195.2	515.0	
Average:			Dutchess .....	143.0	39.2	
8 counties ....	2.2	2.7	Erie .....	51.0	101.6	
			Greene .....	120.2	125.6	
<u>New Hampshire:</u>			Livingston .....	3.6	8.0	
Belknap .....	8.8	43.4	Monroe .....	8.2	5.6	
Carroll .....	3.0	23.6	Nassau .....	1,782.0	597.4	
Cheshire .....	17.4	9.4	Niagara .....	104.2	5.2	
Grafton .....	18.2	30.8	Oneida .....	2.6	31.6	
Hillsboro .....	7.2	26.4	Onondago .....	43.4	72.6	
Merrimack .....	9.8	30.0	Ontario .....	11.4	4.8	
Rockingham .....	23.8	24.4	Orange .....	132.4	34.4	
Strafford .....	8.0	51.4	Orleans .....	41.0	1.2	
Sullivan .....	6.4	7.4	Rensselaer .....	70.0	177.2	
			Saratoga .....	179.6	94.0	
Average:			Schenectady .....	124.2	220.2	
9 counties ....	11.4	27.4	Suffolk .....	753.6	91.2	

Table 2.—European corn borer abundance in corn, fall of 1944, and comparisons with data for 1943—Continued

State and county	Average borers per 100 plants 1943	1944	State and county	Average borers per 100 plants 1943	1944
	Number	Number		Number	Number
New York (Cont'd)			Ohio (Cont'd)		
Ulster .....	256.2	105.6	Warren .....	109.8	37.6
Wayne .....	16.6	14.2	Williams .....	32.6	11.8
Average: .....	221.0	126.3	Wood .....	104.8	18.6
20 counties .....			Average: .....		
North Carolina:			33 counties .....	119.7	55.8
Camden .....	121.4	286.0	Pennsylvania		
Currituck .....	531.2	502.2	Adams .....	66.2	3.7
Pasquotank .....	124.4	389.4	Armstrong .....	5.6	7.0
Average: .....	259.0	392.5	Bucks .....	418.8	102.8
3 counties .....			Butler .....	1,364.4	201.8
Ohio:			Centre .....	8.0	1.5
Allen .....	113.8	62.6	Chester .....	26.2	6.8
Auglaize .....	96.8	25.8	Crawford .....	936.2	279.7
Butler .....	136.6	41.2	Cumberland .....	56.6	16.8
Champaign .....	248.2	150.0	Dauphin .....	58.0	12.6
Clark .....	178.0	99.6	Delaware .....	100.4	29.9
Clinton .....	95.0	19.2	Erie .....	1,267.0	397.6
Darke .....	70.8	47.8	Franklin .....	292.8	30.5
Defiance .....	50.8	22.8	Indiana .....	11.6	2.2
Fayette .....	104.2	41.6	Juniata .....	8.4	2.4
Franklin .....	196.0	53.8	Lancaster .....	15.2	17.7
Fulton .....	54.2	76.0	Lawrence .....	438.4	103.8
Greene .....	146.2	102.0	Lebanon .....	2.3	5.6
Hamilton .....	77.4	45.8	Lehigh .....	100.0	38.4
Hancock .....	95.8	54.6	Luzerne .....	227.8	136.9
Hardin .....	119.6	43.4	Lycoming .....	131.6	20.5
Henry .....	144.2	31.6	Mercer .....	14.2	19.3
Logan .....	111.8	47.6	Montgomery .....	48.3	18.8
Lucas .....	85.6	29.8	Northampton .....	998.4	293.0
Madison .....	270.4	69.0	Perry .....	262.8	144.6
Mercer .....	112.6	57.2	Union .....	29.6	30.9
Miami .....	305.4	25.2	Westmoreland .....	33.6	11.1
Montgomery .....	112.8	48.0	York .....	0	0.1
Ottawa .....	37.2	21.0	Average: .....	125.5	117.2
Paulding .....	30.8	32.2	28 counties .....	251.7	73.3
Pickaway .....	144.4	91.4	Rhode Island:		
Preble .....	85.2	40.0	Bristol-Newport .....	498.4	145.6
Putnam .....	90.2	106.4	Washington .....	298.2	59.0
Sandusky .....	159.2	62.8	Average: .....		
Shelby .....	104.6	49.8	2 counties .....	398.3	102.3
Van Wert .....	125.2	169.6			

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State and county	Average borers		State and county	Average borers	
	per 100 plants	1943		per 100 plants	1943
	Number	Number		Number	Number
<u>Vermont:</u>					
Addison .....	3.8	21.2	Brown .....	-	58.2
Bennington .....	43.3	20.0	Calumet .....	60.6	56.6
Chittenden .....	19.4	16.2	Columbia .....	-	12.0
Franklin .....	11.6	10.4	Dane .....	-	21.5
Grand Isle .....	12.0	21.4	Dodge .....	15.0	18.0
Orange .....	13.8	15.4	Door .....	-	140.6
Rutland .....	27.4	22.6	Fond du Lac .....	88.0	102.8
Washington .....	17.4	33.4	Grant .....	-	23.2
Windham .....	70.0	148.8	Green .....	-	62.6
Windsor .....	29.8	73.2	Iowa .....	-	9.7
Average:			Jefferson .....	-	31.3
10 counties .....	24.9	38.3	Kenosha .....	-	130.9
<u>Virginia:</u>					
Accomac .....	569.0	505.8	Lafayette .....	-	59.8
Charles City .....	-	0.8	Manitowoc .....	37.0	65.2
Culpeper .....	-	0.8	Marinette .....	-	31.6
Fairfax .....	-	25.6	Milwaukee .....	-	54.8
Fauquier .....	-	0.8	Oconto .....	-	7.7
Gloucester .....	-	11.2	Outagamie .....	74.6	79.8
Hanover .....	-	2.4	Ozaukee .....	141.4	19.6
Henrico .....	-	0	Racine .....	-	118.9
King and Queen ..	-	3.6	Rock .....	-	107.3
King William ..	-	5.8	Sauk .....	-	9.8
Loudoun .....	-	133.0	Shawano .....	-	75.3
New Kent .....	-	9.8	Sheboygan .....	92.2	83.0
Norfolk .....	34.4	14.6	Vernon .....	-	12.4
Northampton .....	1,389.0	743.4	Walworth .....	-	35.8
Prince William ..	-	7.8	Washington .....	32.0	89.4
Princess Anne ..	206.4	601.8	Waukesha .....	-	44.0
Warwick .....	-	4.6	Waupaca .....	-	29.3
Westmoreland ...	-	25.6	Winnebago .....	13.8	23.6
Average:			Average:	-	-
4 counties .....	549.7	466.4	9 counties .....	61.6	59.8
18 counties .....	-	116.5	32 counties .....	-	54.1

Table 3.—European corn borer abundance in early sweet corn, summers of 1943 and 1944 1/

State and county	Locality	1943		1944	
		Average borers	borers	Average borers	borers
		Fields	per plant	Fields	per plant
		Number	Number	Number	Number
<u>Connecticut:</u>					
New Haven	New Haven	15	9.5	20	7.4
<u>Illinois:</u>					
Kankakee .....	St. Anne	4	38.3	1	23.0
Madison and					
St. Clair .....	St. Louis	10	0.1	10	0.2
<u>Indiana:</u>					
Marion .....	Indianapolis	-	-	1	2.4
<u>Iowa:</u>					
Muscatine .....	Muscatine	-	-	5	5.9
<u>Maine:</u>					
Cumberland .....	-	20	0.1	20	0.2
York .....	-	20	0.6	20	0.3
<u>New Jersey:</u>					
Burlington .....	Beverly	20	9.9	20	6.9
<u>New York:</u>					
Erie .....	Eden	-	-	8	4.1
Monroe .....	Rochester	11	0.8	10	2.3
Onondaga .....	Syracuse	10	2.8	10	4.0
<u>Ohio:</u>					
Lucas .....	Toledo	6	36.3	20	10.0
Hamilton .....	Cincinnati	-	-	7	12.7

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